

DR. ELLIOTT QUILTS DRAINAGE BUREAU

Chief of Division, Who Recently
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Up Private Engineering.

Dr. Charles C. Elliott, chief of the drainage division in the Department of Agriculture, today resigned his position to take up private consulting drainage engineering, which he says is more congenial and remunerative than Government service work.

Dr. Elliott's resignation will become effective May 31. The chief of the drainage division was recently reinstated in his position following a dismissal during the famous Everglades controversy, which was a rival to the Wiley-McCabe controversy. Dr. Elliott was reinstated by a House committee which investigated several branches of the Department of Agriculture. Secretary Wilson, however, declined Dr. Elliott's reinstatement in his old position. The Everglades inquiry, on the whole, fell flat.

Ten Years of Service.

Dr. Elliott has seven years' service in the drainage bureau, which has been built up under his direction. Congress has recognized the work of the bureau by gradually increasing appropriations.

It is understood that Dr. Elliott recently was offered the place of consulting engineer for the Department of Agriculture, but preferred to enter private engineering enterprises.

He was the drainage engineer in the Department of Agriculture, having been called into the Government work by Elwood Mead when he was chief of irrigation investigations, to investigate the cause and find a remedy for the havoc wrought on irrigated lands by the deposits of alkali and the accumulation of sewage water. Mr. Elliott took up this work in 1904, his first investigations being in the irrigated lands of Colorado and California, where he successfully solved the problem of alkali and sewage water. He was then called to the Everglades, where he was constantly employed by engineers in the drainage work and under Mr. Elliott's leadership attained such proportions that it was made a separate division of the Department of Agriculture, and Mr. Elliott was made its chief.

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The work in the department rapidly broadened and extended to the many drainage problems in the humid regions. Other drainage engineers were added to the force, but Dr. Elliott was kept at the head and in charge of all drainage work in the Department of Agriculture. When Dr. Mead resigned in 1907 the drainage work had under Dr. Elliott's leadership attained such proportions that it was made a separate division of the Department of Agriculture, and Mr. Elliott was made its chief.

Amateur Tell Show Fatal.

HALLE, Germany, May 28.—One student was instantly killed when two of them in a beer garden put on the amateur act of Wilhelm Tell, shooting a stein and pistol for apple and ring.

LIQUOR DEALERS TO PAY EXPENSES

Alexandria City Council Decides to Raise Tax on Privilege of
Selling in Town—Baptist Classes Entertain
Their Young Friends.

WASHINGTON TIMES BUREAU, ALEXANDRIA, VA., MAY 28.

An act increasing the cost of licenses for forty-eight liquor dealers in Alexandria, which will net the city over \$3,000 additional revenue annually, was passed last night by the lower board of city council without any discussion, it having been a foregone conclusion that common council would take this action. The bill now goes to the board of aldermen, who will hold a special meeting on Friday night to consider it. It is probable that this body will not agree to the changes and the rates will then have to be compromised.

The only statement made in reference to the increase was made by Councilman Williams, a member of the finance committee, who, in answer to an inquiry from Councilman Elwell, said that the increase was made solely for the purpose of securing additional revenue. He presented a statement showing that the amount necessary to run the city during the next year, including \$25,000 already appropriated for street cleaning, was \$171,250. From all sources of revenue, including the increased licenses, the city will only receive \$161,500, leaving a deficit of \$9,750. The annual appropriation bill, carrying appropriations of \$171,250, not including any money for new street work, the new high school building or the new truck house, was passed. It is estimated that the expenditures for these purposes will amount to \$75,000 additional.

A resolution authorizing the finance committee to borrow \$4,000 to pay the expenses of the city until the end of the fiscal year was presented and was passed at a special meeting of the board of aldermen today.

Among other matters passed was the annual tax bill imposing a tax rate of \$1.50 on real and personal property; the annual tax on the new trustees of the Alexandria Hospital; the appropriation of \$1,300 to surface Columbus street, between Quinn and Oronoco; several minor changes to the health laws and a number of building permits.

Edward B. Shock, of this city, died at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Thomas W. Collinsworth, 137 South Fairfax street, last night at 10 o'clock. He was fifty-five years old, and unmarried. His father was the late William Shock, for many years market master of Alexandria. Three sisters and one brother survive him. Funeral services will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

The funeral of William Owens, who died yesterday, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock from his home, 1109 Duane street. It will be attended by the Alexandria City Council, No. 5, Fraternal Order of Americans.

The following examinations are announced to be held in Alexandria on the dates mentioned: Skilled laborer, qualified as negative cutter, June 15; apprentice draftsman, June 18; copyist ship draftsman, June 18; electro-metallurgist, June 18; philatelist, June 20; sanitary bacteriologist, June 18; ship draftsman, June 23.

Classes eight and twelve of the First Baptist Sunday School entertained their friends last night at a musical and literary entertainment which was held in the Westminster building.

Members of Osceola Tribe, No. 19, I. O. Red Men, of Georgetown, D. C., will pay a fraternal visit to Osceola Tribe, No. 1, of this city, tonight. A smoker will follow the meeting.

Four additional arrests were made by the police yesterday in enforcement of the traffic regulations. In police court, M. I. Rose and M. E. Parker were fined \$1 and two cases were continued. In the same court, Irene McDermott and Enoch Nalls forfeited \$5 each for disorderly conduct.

French Ambassador Sees Play of Nation

Ambassador Jusserand was an interested spectator at the presentation of the French play "Poly" by Noel Frances, given in the Playhouse last night by Les Freres Ridelles, in honor of the fortieth anniversary of that society.

The principal parts were taken by Prof. Charles G. Rivot, Georges Murat, Mrs. Maybeth Eleanor Northwood, Miss Selene Wilmer Dorch, Mrs. Julia MacNee, Mrs. Camille Hindmarsh, Mrs. Carolyn Bean, Miss Marie Gwynn, and Charles Hull Probert. The musical program was in charge of Prof. Robert Stearns. The officers of the society are: Edward R. Becker, president; Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, A. C. Heston, and Miss Prudhomme, vice presidents; Mrs. G. Bowman, secretary; Miss Marie Gwynn, treasurer; and Miss Marie Becker, manager.

James J. Fletcher Asks To Be Called Bankrupt

A petition in voluntary bankruptcy has been filed in the District Supreme Court by James J. Fletcher, a professional bondsman, who is under sentence of five years in the penitentiary as a result of his conviction of a charge of conspiracy to ruin his wife's reputation for evidence in his divorce suit. Mrs. Fletcher was granted an absolute divorce yesterday. In the bankruptcy petition, which was filed by Attorney E. H. Yeaman, it is set forth that Fletcher's liabilities amount to \$1,323, while his assets total \$3,005.

Parker-Bridget & Co.—Washington.

Decoration Day Outing Needs For Men & Little Men at P-B's

THE Nationally Known Store has anticipated every need of the man for his Decoration day outing.

Men, as a rule, do not like to tramp from shop to shop. Most men find exactly what they want at P-B's. We believe that's one reason why our business is growing bigger all the time.

Everything from head to foot for the man and little man, with emphasis on the

P-B Suits in Conservative, English, Semi-English and Norfolk styles. Hand tailored in particular patterns—checks, pin checks, English checks, grays, blues, shepherd plaids and so on and on—

\$15 \$20 \$25

Splendid Values for Little Men

Confirmation Suits, \$5 Two-Pants Suits, The Famous "NEED-MET" Suits, Famous Peter Thompson Wash Suits, Special, \$2.75

Rompers, 50c Up

P-B Suits are complete, fitted to overflow, with clever, stylish and exceptional values.

Khaki Pants, 75c

P-B Straws, \$2, \$3, \$4—Quality Always

Two special values in Panamas at \$4.75 and \$5.75. Worth from \$6 to \$12.

\$1 Shirt Sale

You want to get in on this sale—sweater, soft cuffs—Negliges plain and plaid. Elegant patterns. Values \$1.50, \$2 and some \$2.50, for \$1.

SAMPLE BELTS, 75c

Worth \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00 at

Manufacturers' Sample Belts for tomorrow's sale at an unusual price.

Note—Size 32 only.

Sale of Panama Hats.

\$6, \$7 and \$8 \$4.75 \$10 and \$12 \$5.75

Panamas . . \$4.75 Panamas . . \$5.75

Store closes 1 p.m. Friday.

Parker-Bridget & Co.

The Avenue at Ninth.

REALTY BROKERS TO DISCUSS SIGN LAW

Meet in Chamber of Commerce
Tonight—Commercial Club
Visits New Home.

Enforcement of the new laws regulating the use of for rent and for sale signs, and other matters of importance to real estate brokers will come before the meeting of the Real Estate Brokers' Association in the Chamber of Commerce tonight.

Since the Commissioners ordered the new law restricting the number of signs on any piece of property to three, and the number of signs for any one broker to one, considerable confusion has arisen. The association has put itself on record as favoring the rigid enforcement of the law, and the matter is to be discussed tonight.

Look Over New Home.

The officers and directors of the Commercial Club held an informal reception in the newly acquired home of the club in Farragut square yesterday afternoon, the entire membership of the club being the guests.

No improvements have yet been made on the property, but M. E. Ailes, president of the club, and other members of the committee which effected the purchase, explained the changes that are to be made and the additions to the house.

The spirit of the occasion was further augmented by the announcement that the entire bond issue of \$30,000, which was made to finance the new home, has been floated.

The successful floating of these 5 per cent bonds is considered especially remarkable in view of the dull condition of the money market at present. The club hopes to open its new home next fall on the date of its fourth anniversary.

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LIVED TO BE 107, MOTHER WAS 110

Peter Shipprio's Father Died
When 100, and Widow Now
Is Eighty Years Old.

Peter Shipprio, who was born in Olasko, a Russian village while Thomas Jefferson was President of the United States, died this week in Washington in his 107th year. The direct cause of his death was stroke of paralysis, which he suffered nine years ago, and since that time he had been an inmate of the Home for the Aged and Infirm.

Mr. Shipprio's mother lived to be 110 years old and his father to almost 100 years. His widow, now eighty years old, is still living, as are seven children, three in this country and four in Russia.

"My father was always hale and strong until he became paralyzed," said Simon Shipprio, who lives at 1414 North Capitol street. "He used to run a grocery at 120 G street southwest. When he was ninety-seven years old he caught a man stealing chickens from his barn. He gave the fellow a beating and then took him to the house, tied him up, and beat him some more."

"The case was taken into court, where the judge congratulated my father on his vigor and sentenced the thief to six months in jail."

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PALAIS ROYAL
A. LISNER Hours 8:30 to 6 G STREET

Holiday Friday—Come Tomorrow

Owing to "Decoration Day" the Basement Floor "Friday Bargains" are to be on Thursday

The "Dangler" Gas Range—look for \$1.25 in the oven. If you don't find the money in the oven we'll reduce the price to that amount—from \$15.00 to \$13.75.

Coupon

This Greater Palais Royal Basement Coupon and fourteen (14) cents entitles bearer to one \$15.00 Colonial Glass Berry Set, large bowl and six saucers to match. Good for Thursday only, May 29, 1913.

Glassware

12.50 New "Perfection" Blue Flame Wick Oil Stove, 30 inches high, with three burners, guaranteed \$9.75

14.95 Double Oil Stoves, with 4 large burners and two oil tanks \$13.99

15.00 Nickel plated Gas Stove \$9.80

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